

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Hall, David R., et al

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**For: Link Module for a Downhole Drilling
Network**

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Art Group: 2612

Examiner: Yacob, Sissy

Docket No.: 66.0034

January 16, 2007

Honorable Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

This paper is timely submitted in response to the Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed September 18, 2006 for which the shortened – statutory period for response – *plus a one-month extension for time* - is set to expire on January 18, 2007. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: